

***TOWN OF NEWFIELDS BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2009***

Present: Selectmen Michael Woodworth and Rosanne Gilbert (Wes Moore was out of town). Others present included: Brian Knipstein, Kelley Corson, Michael Price, and Nancy Spencer.

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Chairman Michael Woodworth.

Brian Knipstein met with FEMA to review the areas damaged by the December 2008 ice storm. Clean up of the damage is seventy-five percent complete. The streets were swept last week and the tree company is coming next week to cut down some damaged trees. The majority of the trees have been cleaned up from the roadsides now. The stripers will be in town soon to paint the crosswalks, parking lots, etc.

A tree limb fell onto the Community Church property from the Town Hall. Rosanne will notify the church that Brian will clean up the debris, but needs permission from the church to do so.

Rosanne asked Brian if would attend a meeting on rural road development to be held for towns with a population less than 10,000. Brian will attend the meeting.

Evergreen Estates is looking to put the final coat of pavement on Heath Drive and Scanlon Way. The development is fifty percent complete and the town requires seventy-five percent completion before allowing the final pavement. They were denied the same request last year. The Selectmen will wait for a formal request from the developer before making a decision.

Overlook Drive is seventy-five percent complete and the developer may ask to put the final pavement on the road. Again, the Selectmen will wait for a formal request.

A resident reported damage to a driveway culvert. Typically, a resident is responsible for repairs.

Brian is trying to have all of the town's paving completed before July 1st when the paving prices will increase.

Rosanne thanked Brian for meeting with the Selectmen and hopes he will continue to meet with them and give regular updates.

Kelley Corson met with the Selectmen to give an update on Main Street Art. Jeff Feenstra has agreed to monitor a burn for Win and Natalie Fream. They will be burning the debris behind the old post office building. Kelley asked for permission to paint the loading dock door. She was asked to hold off for the time being.

Checks were signed.

The Deputy Town Clerk appointment was signed.

Two Applications for Exemption were signed.

A copy of a Letter of Deficiency to the Newfields Village Sewer Department from the NH Department of Environmental Services, Dam Bureau was reviewed.

Landscaping bids for the Town were received. They will be opened and reviewed next week.

Rosanne made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 7, 2009 meeting as written. Michael seconded the motion and the motion passed with both in favor.

The Town has received a Special Permit – SP-046 for mosquito control from the NH Department of Agriculture, Markets & Food.

Michael made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:23pm. Rosanne seconded the motion and the motion passed with both in favor.

The meeting re-convened at 7:25pm. Michael Price asked why he has not been re-appointed to the Planning Board. The Selectmen are determining the number of Planning Board members as the Planning Board did not put a Warrant Article on the 2009 ballot with the number of members. There was some confusion last year as to whether the number of members was five or seven. Michael Price made it known that he is unhappy that this was not resolved and that he and Mike Todd are left in limbo. Michael Woodworth will contact the Local Government Center for guidance.

The meeting re-adjourned at 7:31pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Spencer
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